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The following is a summary of information on Soviet Air Force and Aeroclub activity and airfields in East Germany received prior to 7 December 1954:

A. Airfield Construction and Air Activity:

1. General: There has been no change in the order of battle of the 24th Air Army. Due to seasonal conditions, air activity has been limited, and few aircraft have been observed outside the hangars. There have been no new developments on the airfields at Oranienburg and Doeberitz.
2. MIG-15's Counted on Airfields:
 - a. Erfurt-Bindersleben: 4 on 27 November.
 - b. Grossenhain: 22 on 23 November.
 - c. Jueterbog: 22 on 30 November.
 - d. Koethen: 7 on 26 November.
 - e. Merseburg: 21 on 28 November.
 - f. Neuruppin: 22 on 28 November.
 - g. Rechlin-Laerz: 31 on 25 November.
 - h. Wittstock: 20 on 20 November.
 - i. Zerbst: 6 on 25 November.

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3. PO-2's Counted on Airfields:

- a. Dresden: 3 on 24 November.
- b. Schoenwalde: 4 on 26 November.

4. Miscellaneous:

Schoenhauser Damm: A guard detail of 15 Soviet Air Force soldiers was observed on 1 December.

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B. Radar:

Radar Station near Glindow:

The radar station which was observed for the first time on 3 November near Glindow, southwest of Werder,¹ was found on 30 November to be located .84 statute miles south-southeast of the Glindow church, at Triangulation Point 62.

C. Airfield Construction:

1. Airfield Net in East Germany:

[redacted] the net of airfields is to be tightened, and the maximum distance between airfields is to be 43 3/4 statute miles (70 kilometers).²

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2. Current Projects:

- a. Alt Loennewitz: The runway was surveyed during the second half of 1954. A new six-inch concrete layer is planned for next year. Auxiliary taxiways are also planned.
- b. Frankenberg (east of Chemnitz): Construction of an airfield is projected for 1955.
- c. Rothenburg: The construction site was to be vacated in late 1954. Elements of the construction staff were to be transferred to Alt-Loennewitz.
- d. Vietmannsdorf: Concreting work was resumed on 26 November.

3. Old German Airfields Surveyed in Late Fall of 1954:

- a. Calau-Bronkow, about six miles south of Calau.
- b. Luckau-Alteno, about 28 miles west-northwest of Cottbus.
- c. Markswalde, about 35 miles east-northeast of Berlin.³

4. Miscellaneous:

According to Bau-Union Sued, financial difficulties and a shortage of workers have caused postponement of concreting work on auxiliary runways to the summer of 1955.

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